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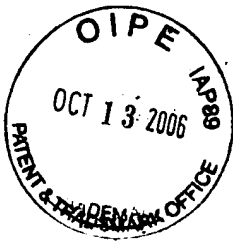
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2006, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS begin on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 3.

REMARKS begin on page 6.